Board of Supervisors Meeting SWCD March 9, 2017 Fremont, OH

A regular scheduled Board of Supervisors was held at the Sandusky County Soil & Water Conservation District office located at 2000 Countryside Drive in Fremont, Chairman Peter Miller presiding. The meeting began at 8:00 a.m.

Roll Call: Scott Chalfin F

Greg Diedrich P
Keith King P
Peter Miller P
Dave Warner P

Also present: Ann Cramer, Becky Duncan, Clark Hutson, Lee Klohn, Josh Madison, Jim Moyer, Jenna Sommers, Shelli Stockmeister and Sandy Yohe.

Miller had everyone go around and introduce ourselves.

Warner moved to accept the minutes of February 9<sup>th</sup> as mailed with one correction on page two the fifth paragraph Steinberger didn't second the motion, Chalfin seconded the motion. Diedrich seconded with no further discussion. Motion carried.

The financial report for the period of February 28, 2017, for the district was reviewed. Special fund beginning balance February 1, 2017, \$206,281.22, income of \$4,053.00, minus disbursements of \$5,325.33, leaving an ending cash balance February 28, 2017, \$205,008.89. District fund checking beginning balance February 1, 2017, \$5,170.62, disbursements of \$50.00 check 3598 sponsorship for Chamber of Commerce Ag Breakfast, leaving an ending balance February 28, 2017, of \$5,120.82. Star Bank of Ohio Savings Account beginning balance a February 1, 2017, \$3,616.38, plus monthly interest income \$2.16, leaving an ending balance February 28, 2017, of \$3,618.54. Croghan Colonial Bank CD Account beginning balance February 1, 2017, \$25,978.41, leaving ending balance February 28, 2017, of \$25,978.41. Warner moved to accept the financial report has presented with questions. Chalfin seconded with no further discussion. Motion carried.

Moyer informed the board that they could give month reports or quarterly report whatever the board would like. Today they are here to give a presentation on how things are going. He informed everyone that he talked with the county auditor and his department will front the money for ditch maintenance from his normal funds. Then he will seek reimbursement shortly after the tax collection comes in this time of year. Then they will charge the project has they can afford it. So nobody like Sugar Creek is in the red and balance that out so no one gets hit really hard. Are intent is to get the collections up for paying the expenses has we go along and accumulate a little we go along for future work and we don't need to run in the red. He also talked to the fair board and the lease goes to June of 2018, and he has agreed to pay for the rental this year since there is items stored over there in the office and the barn. After this report the board said a quarterly report would be fine.

Klohn informed the board that they have four contractors working with about nine miles dip out this year so far. Klohn said it has been a great winter to get the work done. Klohn has come up with a five year plan on work he is hoping to get done.

Stockmeister informed the board on February 10, 2017, she received a manure complaint call and Scheffler investigated the complaint. Upon arrival we noticed that the manure has been spread and the ground was both snow covered and frozen. The owner wasn't there at the time so the son told them they would have to come back. On February 16, 2017, they received another complaint regarding manure application to the field that had received the prior complaint. Stockmeister and Cramer visited the field and found that manure had been spread once again. She did explain to the landowner and informed him he could be facing another violation being that he was told not to haul anymore manure. He asked if they could incorporate it the next day and after approval from ODA he was able to do that. Stockmeister did a follow up the next day and it had been incorporated, therefore another violation did not happen. On February 23, she sent a letter explaining that she is willing to help him come up with a better solution for his manure.

Stockmeister was informed that on March 6, 2017, Matt Lane with ODA informed her that the landowner would be issued a \$500.00, fine and the opportunity to appeal the fine in court and a certified letter would be sent to the landowner.

Cramer gave an update on what they have been working on. Scheffler and Cramer attended the Conservation Tillage Conference in Ada on March 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>, hosting a Winter Agronomy, attended several other meetings this month and Manure Nutrient meeting at Lykens Township Hall in Crawford County. They also assisted on a manure complaint calls.

Yohe's report was in the board packets and she asked if there were any questions. Yohe informed the board she would need one motion approved. Yohe would like the board to approve the cost of the display table at the Chamber of Commerce Ag Tent for the county fair with the cost of \$150.00. Warner moved to cover the cost of the display table at the ag tent. King seconded the motion with no further discussion. Motion carried.

Duncan's report was in the board packets and she asked if there were any questions. Duncan asked the board to acknowledge three new CREP filter strips plans, one CRP filter strip reenrolling into CREP and one new CRP Field Border plan. The board acknowledged the plans.

Duncan informed the board that they would have to acknowledge one Conservation Plan. The board acknowledged the plan.

Duncan did go over with the board and staff the following: NRCS/SWCD Cooperative Working Agreement; Nondiscrimination Statement Policy; Civil Rights Policy; 1619 Acknowledgement and office hours. The board acknowledged the fact that Duncan went over all the statements above.

Duncan informed the board they would need to pick a date for the Local Work Group. After a short discussion the picked March 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m., at the Soil and Water Conservation District small conference room.

Annual and Sick leave ending balances for the staff: -Yohe - vacation - 478.15; sick - 875.15. This report is accurate as of March 9, 2017.

Warner moved to pay Special and District current bills of \$2,597.20, for the month of March. Chalfin seconded with no further discussion. Motion carried.

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Yohe informed the board when we picked up the truck after its oil change there was a couple of items that need the boards immediately attention. Diedrich moved to fix the district truck that needs immediately attention. Warner seconded the motion with no further discussion. Motion carried.

Discussion on applications to set up interviews on the three candidates, interviews will be held March 20<sup>th</sup>. Diedrich, Duncan, Hutson, Miller, Warner and Yohe will conduct the interviews.

The next scheduled board meeting will be April 13, 2017, at 8:00 a.m., at the SWCD office.

Chalfin moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:45 a.m. Diedrich seconded with no further discussion. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Sandy Yohe.	
	Peter Miller, Chairman
	Greg Diedrich, Secretary-Treasurer